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"There is no Morning Land. You are searching for a myth."

While he abandoned the search for awhile his convictions as a child could not be shaken, and he whispered to himself:

"Perhaps I am not old enough, or I have taken the wrong direction. I will renew the search by and by."

Sickness and trouble and danger came to him as he waited. Men argued with and ridiculed him. They scoffed at the idea of the land of rest and peace, but deep down in his own heart he felt the conviction that there must be, and as his burdens of life increased the somewhat felt that the Morning Land had come nearer to him. Poor, ignorant and lonely, he cherished the thought as a prisoner for life loves the sunbeam which enters his barred window to whisper to him of the doings of the great world beyond.

Once, when sickness and poverty had almost weighed him down, and his troubles seemed greater than he could bear, he wavered for a moment in his belief. He had searched long but vainly for the path. He was afraid he must die without finding it. But it was only for a moment. Then he remembered the words of a gray-haired exhorter, spoken fifty years before.

"You may have to wait an' wait, but yer reward shall be all de greater. In dat Mornin' Land de weary shall be at rest."

When he had become old and weak a blindness fell upon him, and many times his sightless eyes filled with tears and he whispered to himself:

"I have waited and waited, but now I am blind and I shall never find the Morning Land."

One summer's evening as he sat at his doorstep this thought grew stronger upon him, and in his loneliness and amidst his troubles, he sobbed and grieved like a young child. His eyes were yet tear-filled when he suddenly cried out to the wondering children at his feet:

"I kin see agin! De Land has githen me back my sight!"

They ran away and brought a woman, and she came to find him dead in his chair.

"See! there is a smile on his face!" whispered the children.

"Chil'en," she replied, as a great awe fell upon her, "de good Lawd giv him his sight to see into de Mornin' Land—jes dat, an' den He called him to come an' lib dar' foreber!" — *Detroit Free Press.*

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| 5c<br>1,000 yds. 36 in. Bleached Muslin in remnants, worth 7c per yd.  | 19c<br>Children's and Misses' Cashmere Ribbed Hose, sizes from 5½ to 8½, worth 30c per pair.    | \$5.00<br>One lot of Ladies' Newmarkets in black and brown, Reduced from \$8 and \$9.                                   | 4c<br>1500 yds. of Cashmere Twill Dress goods, all colors.   | 5c<br>1200 yds. of Brocade Dress Goods, all colors.   | 19c<br>Ladies' Chemise, Plain Muslin.                        | 25c<br>Ladies' Chemise, lace trimmed.                                 |
| 6c<br>1,000 yds. 36 in. Bleached Muslin in remnants, worth 8c per yd.  | 79c<br>Ladies' Scarlet All Wool Vests and Pants, worth \$1.                                     | \$5.95<br>One lot of Tailor-made Newmarkets, perfect fitting, Reduced from \$10.  | 20c<br>1200 yds. of 36 inch Cashmere in short lengths, from 8 to 12 yds., in all desirable colors, worth 30c yd. | 25c<br>1000 yds. of 36-inch extra fine Cashmere in short lengths, all shades. Regular value 35c yard. | 25c<br>Ladies' Muslin Drawers with tucks and lace trimmings. | 19c<br>Ladies' Muslin Drawers with wide hem and tucks.                |
| 7c<br>1,500 yards Soft Finish Bleached Muslin, 36 in. wide, in remnants, worth 9 and 10 cents.   | 89c<br>Ladies' fine Scarlet Cashmere Vests and Pants, worth \$1.25 each.                        | \$6.95<br>Ladies' Short Wraps, Boucle Cloth, black fur trimming, Reduced from \$11 and \$12.                            | 10c<br>Hand-made linen Torchon Lace, 2 inches deep, worth 15c.   | 18c<br>Hand-made linen Medicine Laces, worth 25c.   | 50c<br>Ladies' Night Dress with embroidery trimming.         | 59c<br>Ladies' Night Dress with Tuck and lace trimming.               |
| 8c<br>1,000 yds. of finest 36 inch Bleached Muslin, in remnants, worth 10 and 11 cents.  | 79c<br>Men's heavy red mixed Shirts and Drawers, worth \$1 each.                                | \$10.00<br>Ladies' Short Wraps in French Matalasse Freize and Ottoman mixtures, elegantly trimmed, worth \$18 and \$20. | 12½c<br>Hand-made linen Torchon Lace, 3 inches deep, worth 18c yd.   | 20c<br>Hand-made linen Torchon lace, 3½ inches deep, worth 25c yard.                                  | 15c<br>Ladies' Plain Muslin Corset Covers.                   | 19c<br>Ladies' Corset Covers with embroidery trimming.                |
| 39c<br>500 yds. of Renfrew Turkey Red Table Damask, 56 and 58 inches wide, in remnants, guaranteed fast colors, worth 50 and 60c per yard. | 39c<br>Ladies' extra fine cashmere Jersey Gloves, 13 and 14 inches long, worth 50 and 60c pair. | \$15.00<br>Stylish Plush and Astrachan Short Wraps, worth \$25.   | 25c<br>Hand-made linen Torchon Lace, 4 inches deep, worth 30c yd.  | 22c<br>Hand-made linen Medicine laces, worth 30c yard.  | 25c<br>Ladies' Muslin Skirts with wide hem and tucks.        | 39c<br>Ladies' Muslin Skirts with 3 inch ruffle and heading of tucks. |

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WONDERS IN CHICAGO.

BIG THINGS DONE BY THE GREAT CITY OF THE WEST.

Lifting Himself Out of the Mud, Building Anew Upon Ashes and Finding a Way to Four Her Drainage Into the Gulf of Mexico.

(Special Correspondence.)

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—This city has now a commission of experts at work seeking the best solution of an engineering problem quite unique and interesting. In her environment Chicago presents some features altogether unknown in any other large city in the world. One day last autumn I stood with a visitor to the city upon one of the many bridges spanning the Chicago river, whose course lies, with its two diverging branches, directly through the center of the town. My friend was struck with the slight elevation of the street surfaces above the water level.

"Why," said he, "is this six or seven feet from the street down to the water. Is that true of the general level of the place?" "It is," I replied. "And, moreover, this level of the ground is largely artificial. Fifty years ago the land upon which Chicago has since risen was no more than three or four feet above the water. It was in some places a swamp; in others, a low, flat, wet prairie. After thousands of buildings were put up the citizens saw that they were too low down in the mud, and that something would have to be done. So they went to work and raised their buildings five or six feet, and in some cases ten feet, all around. Great brick blocks and hotels were thus raised, no portion of the business usually carried on within them being suspended on account of the raising and to injury being done the structures. Under one great building there were placed, no less than 500 jack-saws, and for each jack-saw there was a man. Whenever the foreman fired a pistol each of the 500 men gave a twist on his screw, and in this way the whole mass, weighing many thousands of tons, was lifted as easily and uniformly as a crane hoists a building stone. Before many of the buildings were raised, the streets in front of them were filled up to the new grade, causing the first stories to be little better than basements, and it was the peculiar appearance of these buildings that led one of those wise Englishmen, who used to spend a few days looking at this country for the purpose of writing a book about it, to send word back to England that a man would be foolish to invest any of his money in Chicago real estate, for the city was likely to disappear any day, and that already many of the houses had sunk so low in the mud as to force the streets up in front of them. But Chicago did not slip down through the mud on which it was built, I added, "any more than it lay smooth under the feet of the 'little scoundrel.' He has shown himself to be more than Bismarck's equal in parliamentary tactics on more than one occasion. The speaker never has to call Windthorst to order, for he always sticks to the matter under discussion and never makes mistatements. He is never abusive nor coarse, but he often exposes his opponent to derision by the use of clever puns. His greatest stroke was his successful urging of the abolition of the law excluding refractory clergymen."

Eugene Richter is a very different man. Windthorst is the prince of politeness. Richter is the reverse. Windthorst defends the ideas of the past, Richter fights in the vanguard of progress. Windthorst is a plucky in a fight, Richter is a giant. Windthorst is an aristocrat, Richter is a plebeian. Recently they do not consort. They hate each other bitterly, but their intense dislike for Bismarck often brings them together. Richter was born July 20, 1858, in Düsseldorf. He studied jurisprudence and national economy in Bonn, Heidelberg and Berlin. In 1884, he was enrolled in the government service, but his scientific ideas got him into trouble. Afterward, he was elected mayor of Newid, but the government would not sanction the election. A year later, he was ordered transferred to Bamberg, but was indignant at the prospect of change and resigned his position and moved to Berlin. Since then he has devoted himself to political and journalistic work. The present efficient organization of the Progress party is most entirely due to his skill and zeal as an organizer. He has become the mouthpiece of the people, and often is naturally arrayed against the clerical party. He has a wonderful memory and can repeat at length the proposed governmental alcohol monopoly, the increased corn duty, state control of the railroads and other projects tending to centralization. At first he sided with the government to bring about the May laws against Catholics, but seeing Bismarck so firmly wrapped up in this measure, he opposed it tooth and nail. In 1885 he founded a weekly journal, and he grows more radical every year. He has more enemies than friends among those who hold office, but he is the idol of the Berlin masses.

Admirer to Journalists. It is worth any journalist's while to study a specialty. Journalism is a growing profession. It is better paid than it was ten years ago, and the credit for it has risen. By and by it will be better than any other. New newspapers, a wide range of topics and the growing desire for all that is new and that makes the world go round, are the demand. As journalism develops it becomes more like other professions. Thus was when a physician "doctored" all diseases, suvered off limbs, "doctored" teeth, probed the attacked all imperfections of the human body with equal confidence. And not long ago lawyers were supposed to know every phase of the international as well as police court law, and to be able to handle and break wild, settle boundary disputes, smash titles and grapple any possible topic that might get into court. But in this year, 1890, the physical sciences, the medical sciences, the practice a specialty, and the lawyers of note follow a given line of law. So with newspaper writers. Those who master a specialty and their place in constant demand.—Managing Editor.

OF NO VALUE AT ALL.

The famous treasure of Hue, captured by Gen. De Courcy, has been found to be worth 15,000,000 francs, turned out on examination to be of no value at all. The supposed treasure of silver are simply lead.—Paris Tribune.

Sooner or later all great fortunes are absorbed by the people.—Augusta Chronicle.

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The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, letter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, no matter how long standing, or how badly inflamed. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by John A. Swearingen.

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We shall meet all prices, whether on standard goods or not. In Carpets, Curtains, Upholstery Goods, Oil Cloths, Mattings, Rugs, and Linoleum, that may be offered in this market.

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Every voter in Dayton, Nev., a town of three thousand inhabitants, belongs to some secret society.—Chicago Times.

The people of this town are still compelled to pay six-cent fares for four-cent trips on five-cent street cars.—Philadelphia Press.

The Scotch shawl, instead of overcoat, and the Highland cap and streamers make a fashionable costume worn by some New York society young men.—N. Y. Post.

An Indian woman took the premium on butter at the Spokane fair. She is the wife of Saltese, Chief of the Coeur d'Alene Indians, and is very proud of her diploma.

Chicago and Brooklyn are almost neck and neck in the matter of population. Chicago claims a seven hundred and sixty thousand and Brooklyn seven hundred and eighty-five thousand.

A colored State Fair Association has been organized in Louisiana, at which will be exhibited the products of negro labor. North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi and Arkansas already have similar associations.

The famous Centinella ranch, near Los Angeles, Cal., containing twelve thousand acres of the finest grazing lands in that vicinity, was sold recently to a railroad company for nearly \$1,000,000. It is to be used for railroad purposes.

Antelope are plentiful on the hills of Wyoming, and thousands have been slaughtered since the first fall of snow. Dr. Richter, leader of the Christian party and the Progressives, on the other, on the army bill, and I suppose that the excitement has in some degree extended to the United States. Let me make this an occasion for giving you readers some few facts concerning the two remarkable men who have opposed Bismarck—men who, though widely differing on many subjects and in many debates, were united on this occasion.

Ludwig Windthorst, leader of the Clericals, is an intellectual giant but a physical dwarf. He has a fine head of flowing, white hair and wears gold-rimmed spectacles. He is still vigorous. He studied law in Göttingen, Jüdelberg, and practiced until he was appointed presiding councillor of the consistory at Osnabrück. Hanover was then an independent kingdom, with a hundred of Prussia. Windthorst was a member of the Hanoverian house of delegates from 1849 to 1861. He was the president, and after Bismarck made a national reputation in his defense of poor King George, he was elected to the Reichstag, where he was elected to the Reichstag, where he was elected to the Reichstag.

Young Mr. Hasit loved young Miss Hunt. They lived in Norway. He was a student at the University of Oslo, and she was a student at the University of Oslo. They were married. They attracted considerable attention there because Mr. Hasit was slight and meek, and his bonny bride was six feet tall and weighed two hundred and fifty pounds.

Just think of it! Six years ago James A. Garfield and Chester A. Arthur, both in the vigorous prime of life, were but just elected to the first two places in the National Government. And now they are both numbered with the dead. It was President Lincoln's favorite poem begun: "Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?"—Boston Globe.

A would-be fashionable has issued five hundred cards for a wedding, but as the bride is in mourning, the cards are deeply bordered in black. This may be the latest craze, but we do not envy the bridegroom's feeling. Many weddings are, it is true, mournful occasions, but it does not do to advertise their character beforehand in this conspicuous manner.—Jewish Messenger.

"Talk!" exclaimed the barber indignantly. "There is not a first-class shop—that is, tonorial parlor—in the city where a man will talk to a customer unless the customer speaks first. It is very bad form now for even a barber to say 'Good-morning,' or any thing of that sort. A slight nod of recognition, with the faintest shadow of a pleased expression, which must not be allowed to expand into a smile, is the only correct paper."—Philadelphia Call.

A cult near Santa Rosa, Cal., which runs loose in the barnyard, came across a sack of barley the other day, and, not being able to get at it all, picked up the sack and carried it across the lot to its mother. The owner saw the act, and removed the sack to a distant part of the yard and hid it. It was not long, however, before the little horse found it where it was covered with several empty sacks and carried it back to its mother, who was allowed to finish the grain.—San Francisco Chronicle.

The Vermont papers agree in praising the recent act of the Legislature providing a State Board of Health. The board consists of three members, who are given power to take measures to protect the people from diseases. They also have advisory authority over local officials in matters relating to sanitation. The expense of the board is limited to two thousand dollars under ordinary circumstances, but to meet extraordinary emergencies an additional thousand dollars may be expended.

The time is passed when it is decent for us to go on treating the Indians as mere "Indians" instead of treating them as men. Of course they are men, and they are entitled to the same respect and consideration as we are. They are men, nevertheless, men who can never be lifted into certain conditions of living without being treated and dealt with in methods that are at once civilized and civilized. The thing to do with the Indians is, of course, to subject him, protect him, teach him, give him a chance, help him, then tell him: "Root, hog, or die."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Miraculous Escape.

W. W. Reed, druggist, of Winchester, Ind., writes: "One of my customers, Mrs. Louisa Pike, Bartons, Randolph Co., Ind., was taken with a severe attack of consumption, and was given up to die by her physicians. She heard of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and began trying it of me. In six months' time she was able to do all the work of a day, and is now so much improved she has quit using it. She feels she owes her life to it." Free trial bottles at J. A. Swearingen's drug store. A6

"FEATHERBONE" an article prepared from the quills of geese and turkeys, is largely taking the place of whalebone in the manufacture of all sorts of corsets, whalebone was formerly used exclusively.

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At this season nearly everyone "takes a cold." King of Oils will promptly relieve it, as well as croup, catarrh, influenza, rheumatism, burns, frost-bites, kidney troubles and all aches and pains. Give it a trial—only 25 cents. Sold in Decatur by Dr. A. J. Stoner and C. C. Armstrong. Jan 11-17-daily

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